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The proposed project consists of extending George Richey Road (FM 2275) at Gilmer Rd. (SH 300), east to U.S. 259 and constructing it as an ultimate four-lane divided facility. Six project alternative routes, labeled A - F on the project map, were initially considered. An evaluation of project costs, engineering, safety, access and environmental criteria was performed. It was recommended to eliminate Alternative A, B and F due to high project impacts. When compared to the other alignments, Alignment "D" has one of the lowest total project cost, will affect the least number of property owners, has the lowest cost for relocating utilities, has the fewest number of access conflicts, has optimal access to existing business and future development, impacts the least amount of open water area, and conforms best to the North Longview Business Park Master Plan. The proposed project is approximately four miles and construction costs to extend the existing roadway are estimated at \$32 million. Funding for this project will come from federal, state and local sources. The Texas Department of Transportation hosted a public meeting June 26, 2008 at Spring Hill High School to inform the public of the proposed alternatives. Alternative routes were presented to Longview City Council on November 13, 2008 to inform council and the public. The routes were presented to the Longview Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board at a public meeting on November 18, 2008 at which the Board approved alignment "D" as the preferred route. The next phase of the project will be to develop schematics and a detailed environmental assessment.

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